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***AN ACT CONCERNING FAMILIES WITH SERVICE NEEDS,
CERTIFICATES OF BIRTH RESULTING IN STILLBIRTH, REENTRY
AND DIVERSIONARY SERVICES FOR YOUTH, AND DRUG COURTS
FOR YOUTH.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Section 46b-148 of the general statutes is repealed and the
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2008*):

3 (a) Notwithstanding any provision of this chapter: (1) No child
4 [whose family] who has been adjudicated as a child from a family with
5 service needs in accordance with section 46b-149 of the 2008
6 supplement to the general statutes, as amended by this act, may be
7 processed or held in a juvenile detention center as a delinquent child,
8 or be convicted as delinquent, solely for the violation of a valid order
9 which regulates future conduct of the child that was issued by the
10 court following such an adjudication; and (2) no such child who is
11 found to be in violation of any such order may be punished for such
12 violation by [commitment to] placement in any juvenile detention
13 center.

14 (b) In entering any order that directs or authorizes placement or

15 commitment of a child [whose family] who has been adjudicated as a
16 child from a family with service needs in accordance with section 46b-
17 149 of the 2008 supplement to the general statutes, as amended by this
18 act, the court shall make a determination that there is no less restrictive
19 alternative appropriate to the needs of such child and the community.

20 Sec. 2. Section 46b-149 of the 2008 supplement to the general statutes
21 is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective*
22 *October 1, 2008*):

23 (a) Any selectman, town manager, police officer or welfare
24 department of any town, city or borough, any probation officer or
25 superintendent of schools, the Commissioner of Children and Families,
26 any child-caring institution or agency approved or licensed by the
27 Commissioner of Children and Families, any youth service bureau, a
28 parent or foster parent of a child, or a child or the child's representative
29 or attorney, who believes that the acts or omissions of a child are such
30 that the child's family is a family with service needs, may file a written
31 complaint setting forth those facts with the Superior Court which has
32 venue over the matter.

33 (b) The court shall refer a complaint filed under subsection (a) of
34 this section to a probation officer, who shall promptly determine
35 whether it appears that the alleged facts, if true, would be sufficient to
36 meet the definition of a family with service needs, provided a
37 complaint alleging that a child is a truant or habitual truant shall not
38 be determined to be insufficient to meet the definition of a family with
39 service needs solely because it was filed during the months of April,
40 May or June. If such probation officer so determines, the probation
41 officer shall, after an initial assessment, promptly refer the child and
42 the child's family to a suitable community-based program or other
43 service provider, or to a family support center as provided in section
44 46b-149e of the 2008 supplement to the general statutes, for voluntary
45 services. If the child and the child's family are referred to a
46 community-based program or other service provider and the person in

47 charge of such program or provider determines that the child and the
48 child's family can no longer benefit from its services, such person shall
49 inform the probation officer, who shall, after an appropriate
50 assessment, either refer the child and the child's family to a family
51 support center for additional services or determine whether or not to
52 file a petition with the court under subsection (c) of this section. If the
53 child and the child's family are referred to a family support center and
54 the person in charge of the family support center determines that the
55 child and the child's family can no longer benefit from its services,
56 such person shall inform the probation officer, who may file a petition
57 with the court in the manner prescribed in subsection (c) of this
58 section. The probation officer shall inform the complainant in writing
59 of the probation officer's action under this subsection. If it appears that
60 the allegations are not true, or that the child's family does not meet the
61 definition of a family with service needs, the probation officer shall
62 inform the complainant in writing of such finding.

63 (c) A petition alleging that a [family constitutes] child is from a
64 family with service needs shall be verified and filed with the Superior
65 Court which has venue over the matter. The petition shall set forth
66 plainly: (1) The facts which bring the child within the jurisdiction of
67 the court; (2) the name, date of birth, sex and residence of the child; (3)
68 the name and residence of the child's parent or parents, guardian or
69 other person having control of the child; and (4) a prayer for
70 appropriate action by the court in conformity with the provisions of
71 this section.

72 (d) When a petition is filed under subsection (c) of this section, the
73 court may issue a summons to the child and the child's parents,
74 guardian or other person having control of the child to appear in court
75 at a specified time and place. The summons shall be signed by a judge
76 or by the clerk or assistant clerk of the court, and a copy of the petition
77 shall be attached to it. Whenever it appears to the judge that orders
78 addressed to an adult, as set forth in section 46b-121 of the 2008
79 supplement to the general statutes, are necessary for the welfare of

80 such child, a similar summons shall be issued and served upon such
81 adult if he or she is not already in court. Service of summons shall be
82 made in accordance with section 46b-128. The court may punish for
83 contempt, as provided in section 46b-121 of the 2008 supplement to the
84 general statutes, any parent, guardian or other person so summoned
85 who fails to appear in court at the time and place so specified. If a
86 petition is filed under subsection (c) of this section alleging that a
87 [family is] child is from a family with service needs because a child is a
88 truant or habitual truant, the court may not dismiss such petition
89 solely because it was filed during the months of April, May or June.

90 (e) When a petition is filed under subsection (c) of this section
91 alleging that a [family constitutes] child is from a family with service
92 needs because [it includes a] such child [who] has been habitually
93 truant, the court shall order that the local or regional board of
94 education for the town in which the child resides, or the private school
95 in the case of a child enrolled in a private school, shall cause an
96 educational evaluation of such child to be performed if no such
97 evaluation has been performed within the preceding year. Any costs
98 incurred for the performance of such evaluation shall be borne by such
99 local or regional board of education or such private school.

100 (f) If it appears from the allegations of a petition or other sworn
101 affirmations that there is: (1) A strong probability that the child may do
102 something that is injurious to himself prior to court disposition; (2) a
103 strong probability that the child will run away prior to the hearing; or
104 (3) a need to hold the child for another jurisdiction, a judge may vest
105 temporary custody of such child in some suitable person or agency. No
106 nondelinquent juvenile runaway from another state may be held in a
107 state-operated detention home in accordance with the provisions of
108 sections 46b-151 to 46b-151g, inclusive, Interstate Compact on
109 Juveniles. A hearing on temporary custody shall be held not later than
110 ten days after the date on which a judge signs an order of temporary
111 custody. Following such hearing, the judge may order that the child's
112 temporary custody continue to be vested in some suitable person or

113 agency. Any expenses of temporary custody shall be paid in the same
114 manner as provided in subsection (b) of section 46b-129 of the 2008
115 supplement to the general statutes.

116 (g) If a petition is filed under subsection (c) of this section and it
117 appears that the interests of the child or the family may be best served,
118 prior to adjudication, by a referral to community-based or other
119 services, the judge may permit the matter to be continued for a
120 reasonable period of time not to exceed six months, which time period
121 may be extended by an additional three months for cause. If it appears
122 at the conclusion of the continuance that the matter has been
123 satisfactorily resolved, the judge may dismiss the petition.

124 (h) If the court finds, based on clear and convincing evidence, that
125 [the family of] a child is from a family with service needs, the court
126 may, in addition to issuing any orders under section 46b-121 of the
127 2008 supplement to the general statutes: (1) Refer the child to the
128 Department of Children and Families for any voluntary services
129 provided by said department or, if the family is a family with service
130 needs solely as a result of a finding that a child is a truant or habitual
131 truant, to the authorities of the local or regional school district or
132 private school for services provided by such school district or such
133 school, which services may include summer school, or to community
134 agencies providing child and family services; (2) order the child to
135 remain in the child's own home or in the custody of a relative or any
136 other suitable person (A) subject to the supervision of a probation
137 officer, or (B) in the case of a family which is a family with service
138 needs solely as a result of a finding that a child is a truant or habitual
139 truant, subject to the supervision of a probation officer and the
140 authorities of the local or regional school district or private school; (3)
141 if the [family is] child is from a family with service needs as a result of
142 the child engaging in sexual intercourse with another person and such
143 other person is thirteen years of age or older and not more than two
144 years older or younger than such child, (A) refer the child to a youth
145 service bureau or other appropriate service agency for participation in

146 a program such as a teen pregnancy program or a sexually transmitted
147 disease program, and (B) require such child to perform community
148 service such as service in a hospital, an AIDS prevention program or
149 an obstetrical and gynecological program; or (4) upon a finding that
150 there is no less restrictive alternative, commit the child to the care and
151 custody of the Commissioner of Children and Families for an
152 indefinite period not to exceed eighteen months. The child shall be
153 entitled to representation by counsel and an evidentiary hearing. If the
154 court issues any order which regulates future conduct of the child,
155 parent or guardian, the child, parent or guardian, shall receive
156 adequate and fair warning of the consequences of violation of the
157 order at the time it is issued, and such warning shall be provided to the
158 child, parent or guardian, to his or her attorney and to his or her legal
159 guardian in writing and shall be reflected in the court record and
160 proceedings.

161 (i) At any time during the period of supervision, after hearing and
162 for good cause shown, the court may modify or enlarge the conditions,
163 whether originally imposed by the court under this section or
164 otherwise, as deemed appropriate by the court. The court shall cause a
165 copy of any such orders to be delivered to the child and to such child's
166 parent or guardian and probation officer.

167 [(i)] (j) (1) The Commissioner of Children and Families may [petition
168 the court] file a motion for an extension of a commitment under this
169 section on the grounds that an extension would be in the best interest
170 of the child. The court shall give notice to the child and the child's
171 parent or guardian at least fourteen days prior to the hearing upon
172 such [petition] motion. The court may, after hearing and upon finding
173 that such extension is in the best interest of the child and that there is
174 no suitable less restrictive alternative, continue the commitment for an
175 additional indefinite period of not more than eighteen months. (2) The
176 Commissioner of Children and Families may at any time [petition the
177 court] file a motion to discharge a child committed under this section,
178 and any child committed to the commissioner under this section, or the

179 parent or guardian of such child, may at any time but not more often
 180 than once every six months [petition the court which committed the
 181 child] file a motion to revoke such commitment. The court shall notify
 182 the child, the child's parent or guardian and the commissioner of any
 183 [petition] motion filed under this subsection, and of the time when a
 184 hearing on such [petition] motion will be held. Any order of the court
 185 made under this subsection shall be deemed a final order for purposes
 186 of appeal, except that no bond shall be required and no costs shall be
 187 taxed on such appeal. (3) Not later than twelve months after a child is
 188 committed to the Commissioner of Children and Families in
 189 accordance with subdivision (4) of subsection (h) of this section or
 190 section 46b-149f of the 2008 supplement to the general statutes, the
 191 court shall hold a permanency hearing in accordance with subsection
 192 (k) of this section. After the initial permanency hearing, subsequent
 193 permanency hearings shall be held at least once every twelve months
 194 while the child remains committed to the Commissioner of Children
 195 and Families.

196 (k) At least sixty days prior to each permanency hearing required
 197 under subsection (j) of this section, the Commissioner of Children and
 198 Families shall file a permanency plan with the court. At each
 199 permanency hearing, the court shall review and approve a
 200 permanency plan that is in the best interests of the child and takes into
 201 consideration the child's need for permanency. Such permanency plan
 202 may include the goal of: (1) Revocation of commitment and
 203 subsequent placement of the child with the parent or guardian, (2)
 204 transfer of guardianship, (3) permanent placement with a relative, (4)
 205 adoption, or (5) such other planned permanent living arrangement
 206 ordered by the court, provided the Commissioner of Children and
 207 Families has documented a compelling reason why it would not be in
 208 the best interest of the child for the permanency plan to include the
 209 goals set forth in subdivisions (1) to (4), inclusive, of this subsection.
 210 Such other planned permanent living arrangement may include, but
 211 not be limited to, placement of the child in an independent living
 212 program. At any such permanency hearing, the court shall also

213 determine whether the Commissioner of Children and Families has
214 made reasonable efforts to achieve the goals in the permanency plan.

215 Sec. 3. Section 46b-149f of the 2008 supplement to the general
216 statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof
217 (*Effective October 1, 2008*):

218 (a) When a child [whose family] who has been adjudicated as a
219 child from a family with service needs in accordance with section 46b-
220 149 of the 2008 supplement to the general statutes, as amended by this
221 act, violates any valid order which regulates future conduct of the
222 child made by the court following such an adjudication, a probation
223 officer, on receipt of a complaint setting forth facts alleging such a
224 violation, or on the probation officer's own motion on the basis of his
225 or her knowledge of such a violation, may file a petition with the court
226 alleging that the child has violated a valid court order and setting forth
227 the facts claimed to constitute such a violation. Service shall be made
228 in the manner as set forth for a summons in subsection (d) of section
229 46b-149 of the 2008 supplement to the general statutes, as amended by
230 this act. The child shall be entitled to representation by counsel and an
231 evidentiary hearing on the allegations contained in the petition. [Upon
232 a finding by the] If the court finds, by clear and convincing evidence,
233 that the child has violated a valid court order, the court may (1) order
234 the child to remain in such child's home or in the custody of a relative
235 or any other suitable person, subject to the supervision of a probation
236 officer or an existing commitment to the Commissioner of Children
237 and Families, (2) upon a finding that there is no less restrictive
238 alternative appropriate to the needs of the child and the community,
239 enter an order that directs or authorizes a peace officer or other
240 appropriate person to place the child in a staff-secure facility under the
241 auspices of the Court Support Services Division for a period not to
242 exceed forty-five days, with court review every fifteen days to consider
243 whether continued placement is appropriate, at the end of which
244 period the child shall be returned to the community and may be
245 subject to the supervision of a probation officer, or (3) order that the

246 child be committed to the care and custody of the Commissioner of
247 Children and Families for a period not to exceed eighteen months and
248 that the child cooperate in such care and custody.

249 (b) When a child [whose family] who has been adjudicated as a
250 child from a family with service needs in accordance with section 46b-
251 149 of the 2008 supplement to the general statutes, as amended by this
252 act, is under an order of supervision or an order of commitment to the
253 Commissioner of Children and Families and believed to be [at risk of
254 immediate] in imminent risk of physical harm from the child's
255 surroundings or other circumstances, a probation officer, on receipt of
256 a complaint setting forth facts alleging such risk, or on the probation
257 officer's own motion on the basis of his or her knowledge of such risk,
258 may file a petition with the court alleging that the child is [at risk of
259 immediate] in imminent risk of physical harm and setting forth the
260 facts claimed to constitute such risk. Service shall be made in the
261 manner as set forth for a summons in subsection (d) of section 46b-149
262 of the 2008 supplement to the general statutes, as amended by this act.
263 If it appears from the specific allegations of the petition and other
264 verified affirmations of fact accompanying the petition, or subsequent
265 thereto, that there is probable cause to believe that (1) the child is in
266 imminent risk of physical harm from the child's surroundings, (2) as a
267 result of such condition, the child's safety is endangered and
268 immediate removal from such surroundings is necessary to ensure the
269 child's safety, and (3) there is no less restrictive alternative available,
270 the court shall enter an order [directing the placement of] that directs
271 or authorizes a peace officer or other appropriate person to place the
272 child in a staff-secure facility under the auspices of the Court Support
273 Services Division for a period not to exceed forty-five days, subject to
274 subsection (c) of this section, with court review every fifteen days to
275 consider whether continued placement is appropriate, at the end of
276 which period the child shall either be (A) returned to the community
277 for appropriate services, subject to the supervision of a probation
278 officer or an existing commitment to the Commissioner of Children
279 and Families, or (B) committed to the Department of Children and

280 Families for a period not to exceed eighteen months if a hearing has
281 been held and the court has found, based on clear and convincing
282 evidence, that (i) the child is in imminent risk of physical harm from
283 the child's surroundings, (ii) as a result of such condition, the child's
284 safety is endangered and removal from such surroundings is necessary
285 to ensure the child's safety, and (iii) there is no less restrictive
286 alternative available. Any such child shall be entitled to the same
287 procedural protections as are afforded to a delinquent child.

288 (c) No child shall be held prior to a hearing on a petition under this
289 section for more than twenty-four hours, excluding Saturdays,
290 Sundays and holidays. For the purposes of this section, "staff-secure
291 facility" means a residential facility (1) that does not include
292 construction features designed to physically restrict the movements
293 and activities of juvenile residents who are placed therein, (2) that may
294 establish reasonable rules restricting entrance to and egress from the
295 facility, and (3) in which the movements and activities of individual
296 juvenile residents may, for treatment purposes, be restricted or subject
297 to control through the use of intensive staff supervision.

298 Sec. 4. Section 7-36 of the general statutes is amended by adding
299 subdivisions (16) and (17) as follows (*Effective October 1, 2008*):

300 (NEW) (16) "Stillbirth" means an unintended, intrauterine fetal
301 death occurring in this state after a gestational age of not less than
302 twenty completed weeks in which there is no attempt at respiration, no
303 action of heart and no movement of voluntary muscle.

304 (NEW) (17) "Certificate of birth resulting in stillbirth" means a
305 certificate issued to record the birth of a stillborn child.

306 Sec. 5. Subsection (c) of section 7-51 of the general statutes is
307 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective*
308 *October 1, 2008*):

309 (c) (1) The registrar of the town in which the birth or fetal death

310 occurred or of the town in which the mother resided at the time of the
311 birth or fetal death, or the department, may issue a certified copy of the
312 certificate of birth or fetal death of any person born in this state which
313 is kept in paper form in the custody of the registrar. Such certificate
314 shall be issued upon the written request of an eligible party listed in
315 subsection (a) of this section. Any registrar of vital statistics in this
316 state with access, as authorized by the department, to the electronic
317 vital records system of the department may issue a certified copy of
318 the electronically filed certificate of birth or fetal death of any person
319 born in this state upon the written request of an eligible party listed in
320 subsection (a) of this section.

321 (2) (A) The department shall issue, upon request of a parent, a
322 certificate of birth resulting in stillbirth. Such certificate shall include
323 the statement: "This certificate is not proof of live birth." The
324 department shall prescribe the form and content of a certificate of birth
325 resulting in stillbirth and shall prescribe the application form for such
326 certificate.

327 (B) A parent may provide a name for a stillborn child on the
328 application for such certificate. If the requesting parent does not wish
329 to provide a name, the department shall indicate on the certificate the
330 name "baby boy" or "baby girl" and the last name of the parent. A
331 parent may request the department to issue a certificate of birth
332 resulting in stillbirth at any time without regard to the date on which
333 the fetal death certificate was issued, except as provided in subsection
334 (d) of this section.

335 (C) The department shall not use a certificate of birth resulting in
336 stillbirth to calculate live birth statistics.

337 (D) The issuance of a certificate of birth resulting in stillbirth,
338 pursuant to this subsection, may not be used to establish, bring or
339 support a civil cause of action seeking damages against any person or
340 entity for bodily injury, personal injury or wrongful death for a
341 stillbirth.

342 (E) The commissioner may adopt regulations, in accordance with
343 chapter 54, to implement this subdivision.

344 Sec. 6. (*Effective July 1, 2008*) (a) The Department of Education shall
345 establish, within available appropriations, a pilot truancy reduction
346 program to provide grants to at least three, but no more than five,
347 school districts that the department determines have the greatest
348 number of pupils found to be a child from family with service needs,
349 as defined in section 46b-120 of the 2008 supplement to the general
350 statutes, because the child is truant or habitually truant.

351 (b) The pilot truancy reduction program shall provide for the
352 establishment in each participating school of a school-based
353 prevention team for the purpose of addressing the needs of truant
354 students. Such team shall include the school principal or other
355 administrator, school psychologist or social worker, school nurse,
356 regular education teacher and special education coordinator, except
357 that (1) the parent or other person having control of the truant student
358 shall be included in the team for any student from kindergarten to
359 grade six, inclusive, and (2) a school may utilize any team established
360 to address the needs of truant students that was in existence prior to
361 July 1, 2008.

362 (c) The pilot truancy reduction program shall be established in
363 accordance with the recommendations of the Families with Service
364 Needs Advisory Board contained in the report submitted to the
365 General Assembly dated February, 2008.

366 (d) With respect to any grant provided under this section, the
367 department shall, within available appropriations, provide assistance
368 and evaluate the effectiveness of such grants.

369 (e) The department shall assign, within available appropriations,
370 full-time department staff to provide assistance pursuant to subsection
371 (d) of this section and to work in consultation with the Connecticut
372 Consortium on School Attendance to coordinate state-wide efforts to

373 increase school attendance.

374 Sec. 7. (*Effective July 1, 2008*) The Commissioner of Education shall
375 provide grants, within available appropriations, to youth service
376 bureaus with active juvenile review boards to enable such youth
377 service bureaus to provide additional services to children from families
378 with service needs. Such grants shall be allocated to youth service
379 bureaus in four judicial districts.

380 Sec. 8. (*Effective July 1, 2008*) The Judicial Department shall establish,
381 within available appropriations, a community-based pilot program in
382 Hartford, Bridgeport, New Haven and Waterbury to provide
383 additional employment and educational services for youth eligible for
384 reentry and diversionary services from the Judicial Department. The
385 Judicial Department may contract with nonprofit organizations to
386 provide such services.

387 Sec. 9. (*Effective from passage*) (a) There is established a task force to
388 study the feasibility of establishing a separate court or docket to hear
389 matters related to drug offenders under the age of eighteen.

390 (b) The task force shall consist of the following members:

391 (1) Two appointed by the speaker of the House of Representatives;

392 (2) Two appointed by the president pro tempore of the Senate;

393 (3) One appointed by the majority leader of the House of
394 Representatives;

395 (4) One appointed by the majority leader of the Senate;

396 (5) One appointed by the minority leader of the House of
397 Representatives;

398 (6) One appointed by the minority leader of the Senate;

399 (7) The chairpersons and ranking members of the joint standing

400 committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters
401 relating to the judiciary, or their designees;

402 (8) The Chief Court Administrator, or the Chief Court
403 Administrator's designee;

404 (9) A judge of the superior court for juvenile matters, appointed by
405 the Chief Justice;

406 (10) The Chief Public Defender, or the Chief Public Defender's
407 designee;

408 (11) The Chief State's Attorney, or the Chief State's Attorney's
409 designee;

410 (12) The Commissioner of Children and Families, or the
411 commissioner's designee;

412 (13) The Commissioner of Correction, or the commissioner's
413 designee; and

414 (14) The Commissioner of Mental Health and Addiction Services, or
415 the commissioner's designee.

416 (c) Any member of the task force appointed under subdivision (1),
417 (2), (3), (4), (5) or (6) of subsection (b) of this section may be a member
418 of the General Assembly.

419 (d) All appointments to the task force shall be made no later than
420 thirty days after the effective date of this section. Any vacancy shall be
421 filled by the appointing authority.

422 (e) The speaker of the House of Representatives and the president
423 pro tempore of the Senate shall select the chairpersons of the task force
424 from among the members of the task force. Such chairpersons shall
425 schedule the first meeting of the task force, which shall be held no later
426 than sixty days after the effective date of this section.

427 (f) The administrative staff of the joint standing committee of the
428 General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to the
429 judiciary shall serve as administrative staff of the task force.

430 (g) Not later than January 1, 2009, the task force shall submit a
431 report on its findings and recommendations to the joint standing
432 committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters
433 relating to the judiciary, in accordance with the provisions of section
434 11-4a of the general statutes. The task force shall terminate on the date
435 that it submits such report or January 1, 2009, whichever is later.

436 Sec. 10. (*Effective July 1, 2008*) The sum of three hundred twenty-five
437 thousand dollars is appropriated to the Department of Education, from
438 the General Fund, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2009, for the
439 purpose of funding the pilot program established in section 6 of this
440 act.

441 Sec. 11. (*Effective July 1, 2008*) The sum of two hundred fifty-two
442 thousand dollars is appropriated to the Department of Education, from
443 the General Fund, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2009, for the
444 purpose of providing grants to youth service bureaus pursuant to
445 section 7 of this act.

446 Sec. 12. (*Effective July 1, 2008*) The sum of one million five hundred
447 thousand dollars is appropriated to the Judicial Department, from the
448 General Fund, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2009, for the purpose
449 of funding the pilot program established in section 8 of this act.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

Section 1	<i>October 1, 2008</i>	46b-148
Sec. 2	<i>October 1, 2008</i>	46b-149
Sec. 3	<i>October 1, 2008</i>	46b-149f
Sec. 4	<i>October 1, 2008</i>	7-36
Sec. 5	<i>October 1, 2008</i>	7-51(c)
Sec. 6	<i>July 1, 2008</i>	New section

Sec. 7	<i>July 1, 2008</i>	New section
Sec. 8	<i>July 1, 2008</i>	New section
Sec. 9	<i>from passage</i>	New section
Sec. 10	<i>July 1, 2008</i>	New section
Sec. 11	<i>July 1, 2008</i>	New section
Sec. 12	<i>July 1, 2008</i>	New section

Statement of Purpose:

To (1) make minor revisions to the family with service needs statutes in accordance with the recommendations of the Family with Service Needs Advisory Board, (2) establish pilot programs and provide funding in accordance with the recommendations of said board, (3) permit a parent to request from the Department of Public Health a certificate of birth resulting in stillbirth, (4) establish a community-based pilot program to provide additional reentry and diversionary services for youth, and (5) study the feasibility of establishing a separate drug court for offenders under the age of eighteen.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]